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PRESS RELEASE

FREDERICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

On December 12, 2016 deputies with the Frederick County Sheriff's Office responded to the 200 block of Stafford Drive after the Frederick County Emergency dispatch received a 911 call from a male stating that he had just shot his wife in the head. As deputies arrived on scene, a male stepped outside and surrendered himself to law enforcement without further incident. The male was identified as Thomas Heflin, 56 of Winchester, Virginia and he was also determined to be the 911 caller. During the course of the investigation, it was determined as a result of a domestic situation, Thomas Heflin's wife, Jeanette Heflin, 54 had received a single gunshot wound to the left arm and head area and was transported to the Winchester Medical Center and then airlifted to Inova Hospital in Fairfax, Virginia for further treatment where she remains in critical condition at the time of this release. The weapon that is believed to have been used and was recovered from the scene was a 12 gauge shotgun. As a result of the investigation, Thomas Heflin has been charged with Attempted Murder and Use of Firearm in Commission of a Felony.